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FM AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5974

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TAGS: CI, CASC: AMCIT HORMAN

SUBJ: W/W: CHARLES EDMUND HORMAN

PASS WHITE HOUSE FOR MR ROGERS

REF: STATE 194577

FOLLOWING IS RESUME OF EMBASSY'S ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO
POINTS IN PARA 3 OF REFTEL:

(J) EMBASSY HAS SENT NOTE TO FONMINISTRY REQUESTING SUCH
INVESTIGATION. CONSULAR OFFICERS HAD ALREADY GONE TO 4126
VICUNA MACKENNA, HORMAN'S LAST ADDRESS,
BEFORE RECEIPT REFTEL, AND SPOKE WITH LANDLORD AND
NEIGHBORS. FOUND SOME INFO ON CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST. WE
AND MILITARY AUHTORITIES ARE ATTEMPTING TO IDENTIFY ARRESTING
UNIT, ALTHOUGH AUTHORITIES HAVE ADVISED US NO SEARCH OR
ARREST WAS ORDERED.

(B) POLICE STATIONS AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN AREA ALSO
VISITED BY CONSULAR OFFICERS. POLICE STATIONS HAVE NO INFO
ON ARREST OR SEARCH OF HOUSE, NOR DOES CARABINERO NCO
SCHOOL WHERE SOME AMCITS WERE FIRST TAKEN UPON DETENTION. LATTER
UNIT SHOWED CONSULAROFFICERS ITS DETENTION RECORDS AND HORMAN'S
NAME NOT RPT NOT INCLUDED.

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(C) MRS. HORMAN HAS ALREADY BEEN ASKED TO GIVE THESE NAMES,

AS WELL AS THOSE OF OTHER FRIENDS WHO MIGHT HAVE PERTINENT INFO. CONSULAR OFFICERS HAVE ALREADY INTERVIEWED TWO OF THEM.

(D) MAJOR CONTRERAS WAS INTERVIEWED BY EMBOFF SEPT 27 (SEE SANTIAGO 4715) AND REPORTED MRS. HORMAN WAS MISTAKEN IN HER INTERPRETATION OF WHAT HE HAD SAID. MAJOR CONTRERAS HAD NO RPT NO INFO ON HORMAN'S ARREST OR DETENTION.

(E) BOTH ATTACHES AND MILGPRP HAVE MADE EVERY POSSIBLE CONTACT, SINCE FIRST NOTICE HORMAN MISSING. GENERAL PINOCHET'S MILITARY AIDE, WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN CONTACTED BY EMBASSY, ADVISED EMBASSY SEPT 28 THAT NEITHER CHILEAN ARMED FORCES NOR CARABINEROS HAD CONDUCTED ANY SEARCH OPERATIONS AT HORMAN'S ADDRESS.

(F) EMBOFF SCHEDULED SPEAK OCT 2 WITH CHILEAN MILITARY OFFICER WHO IN CHARGE DETENTION OPERATION AND WILL MAKE REQUEST FOR INSPECTION.

(G) AMBASSADOR AND OTHER EMBOFFS HAVE ALREADY MADE EXTENSIVE EFFORTS AT ALL LEVELS, FROM FOREIGN MINISTER DOWN TO OFFICIALS AT NATIONAL STADIUM. WILL, OF COURSE, CONTINUE AND INTENSIFY THESE EFFORTS.

(H) EMBASSY WILL INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY RADIO/TV ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADVISE SEPTTEL.
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